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## \$370...TOO MUCH FOR THE MEGA-CD-ROM??

The most talked about item among Genesis users is the Mega-CD-ROM. Letters have been pouring in to our offices by the hundreds wanting to know every possible detail about this phenomenal super peripheral. And, like you, we too are extremely interested in seeing this great machine take off and be a success. We will go to any extreme to squeeze out every bit of information from our WorldNeT<sup>ack</sup> sources and Sega of Japan. Being first with system photos, technical sposes and gene series are but a small part of seeing that the word gets out to everybody about the not generation in 16 bit gamber.

But every once in a while even we get carried away by pure specifications. Granted the CD-ROM adds tremendously to the play value of the Genesis, but at what point will the consumer say No, this is too much? We've seen this happen to the TurboGrafx CD-ROM. It has been out for several years and the game player's enthuisatem has been lukeward best. Only now, when NEC lowered the price to under \$300 is anybody taking a second look at their unit. And, the hot them in the newspapers is the fact that parents are starting to say no to the Super Nintendo because of its lack of downward compatibility and it's hetpy rice of \$200.

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Will be Sega's turn next Spring when they try to sell their CD-ROM for \$370? Add in the Genesis and the system lists out in the NEO-GEO range of over \$500.

The key, as with any new system, will be in the software. We've done extensive interviews with game developers in Japan and many don't even have CD-ROM development systems yet. And the games that will be cut by the end of the year will be at best, cartridge softs with CD quality music. And even then, most are heavy-duty strategy military simulations or Japanese language RPG's. Sega is going to have a hard time in getting good US. GO games ready by next summer.

Stripping away all the glitter of this new peripheral, Sega is going to have to watch how, and when they bring the MEGA-CD to the U.S. They were wise not to rush it out the door this year, but they are going to have to take a hard look at even next Spring. The last thing they will want to do is duplicate what NEC did when they brought out their CD-ROM.

On a lighter note, we want to welcome the new member of our Mega Play staff...Tokenmann" (yes, he's related to the world famous Quartermarn). He's been working behind the scenes for the past several months, and, look for his exclusive column next issue. He will have all of the latest and newest in sploy, Sega game gossip.

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#### GENESIS RGB UPDATE...

You guys are spectacular! Great honest reviews, current news and high tech articles that are practical

I was very interested in your article on RGB for the Genesis and, I set the system up. Your specs and monitor selection was perfect! Your readers should note that the Commodore 1084 monitor has two speakers for stereo sound!

I found that for even better video, a voltage drop should be placed on the negative sync pin. The resistance needed is about 180 ohms. I used a potentiometer and adjusted it until I had a clear stable picture.

Your photos of the difference between RGB and Composite didn't do this upgrade justice. When viewed for the first time, the screen is beyond description!

#### Mike Malicki DBN Heights, MI

I am the proud owner of a Sega Genesis system which is now hooked up to an RGB monitor (thanks to you guys). Let me tell you that I never want to play video games on a television again! Thanks for the info.

#### Henry Johnson Albany, GA

One thing which I like about your publications is the fact that you really get into your work. You aren't just recopying press releases as you go out of your way to get us the reason behind the news. Your RGB article is one good example. Do you know if there is any product which will utilize the S-VHS lacks that are appearing on some of the newer TV's?

> Jennie Ambrosic Dry Ridge, KY

(Ed. We're glad to hear that some adventuresome readers have ventured into the awesome realm of RGB video, Sorry Jennie, there isn't any easy way to get a S-VHS output from the Genesis. The Super Famicom and Super NES though, will output their

signal to S-VHS and you can buy a Super Famicom cable that will hook up to your TV. Unfortunately, Nintendo of America moves so slow that it may be many months (if ever) before they offer this cable. Contact one of the mall order companies for this option.)

#### R-360 IN U.S.!!

Stop the presses! R-360 and Radmobile are both in the U.S. That's right, they both exist at the Space Needle Arcade in Gatlinberg Tenn.! It costs \$5.00 to play R-360 and it's

worth it! It is the best simulator that I've ever played. I could feel the G forces with every rotation. Radmobile is awesome! It blows

Outrun and Power Drift off the face of the planet. There are some nice features like being arrested, caught in the darkness and the cute doll of Sonic the Hedgehog hanging from the top of

the screen.

If anybody is ever in the area they should visit this great arcade! Juanell Spotts

Lexington, KY



R-360 appears in the U.S.!

#### MEGA-CD-ROM..

The Mega-CD-ROM is awesome. not to mention your excellent coverage of this super unit. The other magazines didn't even bother to list the specs while you not only did that, but also showed the games! Even though it could cost \$350+ I

would easily commit myself and shell

out the money. I've played the Super NES and the slowdown is horrendous. Just think a real 32 bit machine capable of doing anything the S-NES can do! I can't wait.

> Delin Johnson Raleigh, N.C.

After reading about the coming of the long awaited CD-ROM I was elated. I knew that you would be the only one who would have all the details, \$370 for the unit. I have no problem paying that much for anything which will take the Genesis into the next generation of game systems!

#### Jameson Bover Freemont, CA

First of all I thing Mega Play is totally outrageous! I especially like your coverage of the Mega-CD-ROM, In response to your editorial in the last issue. I would gladly pay that much for a system with such amazing capabilities. It would be money well spent! After seeing the pictures of Nostalgia 1907 I'll pay over \$350 for anything that dood!

Brian Blaskon Clifton, NJ

I would pay \$370 for the Mega-CD-ROM any time. It looks like it would blow away any CD-ROM. The specs put the system above the Neo-Geo. And the games would be much cheaper with even more memory! I'll be the first in line when it comes out

Greg Suzdan Tampa, FL



Sega's new MEGA-CD-ROM!

(Ed. Judging from the 100+ letters that came in so far, it looks like the Mega-CD-ROM will be an instant hit. Absolutely nobody flinched at the price. Some were concerned about the type of software that will be available, but everybody agreed that the specs and abilities of this spectacular new peripheral will make the system worth gettina.)



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This is another 'Whatever happened to..?' letter. I need to know severall things. First, will New Zealand Story ever come to the US.?! ask because Nintendo has changed their licensing contract and I refuse to get the Inferior Nintendo version). And what about Dando? You keep taking about it but it never seems to go anywhere.

Another thing is that you have given the impression that Final Fight or Ninja Gaiden will be coming to the Genesis. This seems to be a title unlikely considering that Capcom and Tecmo don't seem to be working for Sega. Stop stroking us along and show some proof the common that the contract of the cont

Keith Previc New Cumberland, PA

My favorite games are the RPG's and FRPG's. I breezed through Phantaey Star 2 and Phantaey 3.3 was even easier. What my problem is, lipit cart get enough problem is, lipit cart get enough pool, hard RPG's for the Genesis. What do you recommend? What ever happened to Moondancer, Sorcerian and all of the other great RPG's that you once previewed in Mega Play?

Josh Bell Bronx, NY

(Ed. New Zealand Story was an excellent game for the Mega Drive Unfortunately, the U.S. companies can not bring over every game that is made in Japan. Such is the case of NZS. With all of the great new games that Tailo is working on, it is highly unlikely that it will ever appear here.

While Capcom and Tecmo are quite content to stay loyal to Nintendo, there is no reason why they can't license some of their games out to other companies. Such was the case of Mercs. This is a great Capcom arcade shooter but Sega bought the rights from them and it now is a Genesis game. As for Tecmo, look for Ninja Galiden comino soon for the Game Gear.

Also, many of the Japanese games, while great for the Japanese players, are not as well received by the U.S. players. RPGS are the number one gene of game in Japan, while here in the U.S. the action and adventure yames are the best. Language translation is the major problem in bringing over more RPGS, and since the RPG maker is relatively small for the Genesis, only a few companies will venture the time and effort to bring out new RPG soots. Look for Star Odyssey from Sages Creation and a new 12 meg behamoth from Segel

Dando (also known as Vasum) has been put on hold and won't be out in the U.S. for some time.)

#### WHITE GAME GEAR

I'm planing to buy a Game Gear system. But before I do I did a little checking up. I was planning to buy a White Game Gear system for \$350. This includes the GG, tuner, and a case. But as it turns out, ifly you buy them separately they opt offerent? I set white GG better than the regular one? If so, in what ways?

Jerry Hwang Laguna Niguel, CA



The limited production white Game Gear - only in Japan!

(Ed. Sorry Jerry, but you're mixing apples and oranges. The White GG is a Japan only product (the U.S. tuner isn't out vetl) and the price you list is from a mail order companv. When we bought our white GG in Japan it was only about \$260. Remember if you buy a Japanese tuner you won't get all of the U.S. TV channels. The white GG is special though. Only a few thousand of these were made and they are 'collector's items'. Sega of America won't comment on whether they will bring out a U.S. white GG but, it is a good way to sell a complete system.)





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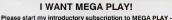


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## JOHN MADDEN FOOTBALL

(Electronic Arts/Genesis)

top Your Opponent From Making Extra Points-Beating your oppo-ent in this game can be tough, but if they can't make extra points-full be hard for them to win. In order to make your opponent miss heir extra points, you have to keep going off side until the ball is on the goal line. When your opponent licks the ball, if will be too low



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## SUPER FANTASY ZONE

#### Sega

Get ready for an all new adventure in the Fantasy Zone. This 16-Bit translation of the classic Sega shooter has never looked or sounded better. Loads of power-ups and giant end of round bosses highlight this weird but colorful shooter.



















## GG ARREST

#### Sega

This fast paced vertical shooter features tons of power-ups and lots to shoot at. Eight stages filled withfast paced action and end bosses.

## EXILE

## Riot Japan Telnet This cart has action and role-playing themes

combined into one. The battles scenes are done in the same way as the Phantasy Star series.







Mega Play



## AIRU ROAD-CD

A new adventure for the Mega CD ROM featuring great graphics and an a w e s o m e soundtrack.









#### CALIBER FIFTY **Mentrix Software**

CAL. 50 is an action game that includes a top view perspective mission, and your single character with a weapon blazing at all times. You need to be firing the whole time though. because the number of enemies increases as you go along. The game play has a variety of unique features like jumping into enemy vehicles and using them against the opposition. Fight your way through jungles and invade the enemy fort to put an end to the terrorism caused by these bad guys.







Recover stray enemy bullets to keep yourself alive. Get other weapons for your fight!







#### WARSONG NCS Corp

A combination of Military Madness style game play with role playing type characters. Fight dragons and other monsters as you go forth to conquer each level with strategy and planning. You must place your army in strategic locations and destroy all of the opposing army's weaponry. Once you have planned out your moves, get ready to watch the action as the two armies





Get in the plane for a short

bom-



Watch the results of the battle as the two armies fight it out.



Have large amounts of troops when you go into battle. They will be long and hard fought! Watch out for the magic users. many men will die if your not carefull

### SWAMP THING

#### Nuvision

This is a new action game that pits Swamp Thing against the unusual and unfriendly creatures that inhabit his territory. He has to save the swamp and make it a better place for all people...or whatever. Very detailed multilayered backgrounds, and a variety of game play options are some of the highlights of this original



There are many hazards such as toxic waste. Watch for quicksand



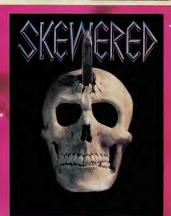






## JOE MONTANA FOOTBALL Sega

Joe Montana is coming to the Game Gear. The graphics and game play are similar to the Master System only shrunk down to fit on the tiny Game Gear screen. Select from a variety of defensive and offensive plays and go for the one that suits you best. Make a touchdown and get the extra point.



#### HALLEY WARS TAITO

You're an ace pilot on a mission through the galaxy. Travel past every planet in our solar system fighting enemy planes and warships. Fill up your fire power and add different options like lasers and triple-shooting machine guns. You'll face many dangers such as asteroids and a barrage of enemy firepower from all sides. You come face to face with some of the meanest bosses ever seen on the portable screen.







Watch out for falling stars through

the asteroid fields. If you're in

their way, you're toast!



Fiaht huae end-of-level bosses that take up the whole screen!















Play the angles right, and you'll wind up with a hole-in-one!



waiting in line at the miniature golf courses, here's a great (and faster) alternative! With putter in hand, you are out to the most amazing miniature golf course you'll ever find. All manner of weird holes need to be conquered with innovative shots and good bumper reads. Sometimes hitting the bumpers is the only way to go. Your find yourself golfing over water or even in fiery pits filled with lava. There are even closeups of close shots.

Sega











## CORPORATION Virgin Games

Are you ready to take on the whole corporation? You're being placed inside an enormous spaceship that is infested with monsters. Your job is to rid the ship of the monsters! Fans of Zenophobe won't have any fears about this sharp release, and the









#### VAPOR TRAIL Renovation

A good, challenging shooter, played from top view perspective. Choose from three different advanced fighters, each with unique strengths and weaknesses. There are many chances to power up your fighter during the game, as you fire at tanks and enemy fighters. Digitized voices and intense game play abound









## PACMANIA

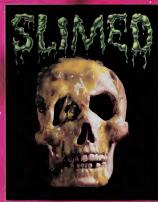
#### Tengen

Pacman is back but in an innovative three-quarter overhead perspective. Pacman has one new quality in this game: now he can jump! Jumping the ghosts will make it easier to get away. but be carefull Those ghosts are still





Travel through different mazes, all with different ways to go!



## **FATAL REWIND**

Flectronic Arts

This is a very unique action/shooter that boasts a futuristic game show theme sort of like Running Man. You are in control of a small robot and are will run about levels of varying complexity because it looks as if they repeat themselves. A variety of special techniques such as walking up walls will be used in your fight for survival. Pick up special weapons and life refills to increase your odds of surviving the insane labyrinth of dangers. The main thing to worry about is the dangerous liquid that is constantly rising to dissolve your existance.



Get other weapons like triple shots or lasers!





Climb the walls to escape the enemies and the waterl

## QUAD CHALLENGE

Off road racing has never been this fun! This cart features split screen racing action as you speed through some of the roughest courses ever concieved. An added plus is that you can't get hurt if you take a nasty spill



Check out these wicked jumps and be careful of the hairpin turns.







flame thrower for more power.





#### THUNDER FOX Taito

This side scrolling action cart based on the seldom seen coin-on reminiscent Rush'n'Attack with more intense power-ups. Pick up machine guns, rocket launchers, and flame throwers to help you

destroy the enemy stronghold. Great multilaver scrolling and solid game play make this cart a welcome entry in the action category.





## VALIS SYD

Though not quite finished, we can tell you that it looks like a pretty cool cart. It is basically a cartoon version of the famous Valis series of games. And you can choose different weapons and armor from an options screen, and all of them can help you on your quest. Impressive bosses make this a winner.









#### PAPERBOY Tengen

Grab your handlebars, strap on your paper sack, and watch out for small animals as you get ready for the most dangerous job there is! Adapted from the famous coln-op, you must satisfy your customers, and make non subscribers pay (for new windows, that is). A nice translation for the Genesis.









## ROADBLASTERS

#### Tengen

Jump in the seat of the ultimate car, loaded with heavy gun fire and added bonuses. Armored cars and turret guns are out to stop you. Pick up bubbles of gas so you don't run out during the race. Noone out there wants you to win, so be on your guard whenever you hit traffic.

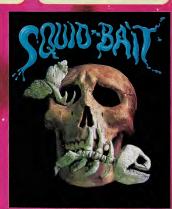












## STAR ODVSSEV

Sage's Creation A futuristic role playing adventure with the same play perspective as Phantasy Star The action scenes however are from side view like Vermillion There are many cool back-

grounds and the game gets increasingly involved as you progress through the quest.









## RBI 3 Tengen

Sequel to one of the most popular baseball games on Nintendo, this cart boasts enhanced graphic and sound quality. There are loads of options that make the game play better than any other baseball cart to date. There's even an instant replay feature that lets you watch the best plays of the game. Other features include digitized voices and official teams with real players.









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## WANDERERS FROM V'S

#### RENOVATION

The popular P.C. Engine CD is coming to the Genesis. You must rescue the land of Y's again and put an end to the terror that is upon the people. Buy new swords and suits of armor to help make you a better fighter. Search through mines and caves to solve different mysteries Cinema displays and im-proved graphics are some of the highlights of





Travel from town to town in search of new weapons and helpful items for your quest.





When you venture to the outer section of the town be prepared to run into monetere



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## STEEL EMPIRE

This hot new shooter from Hot-B sports an all out frenzy of shootem up action. Great graphics and an array of awesome power-ups are sure to be included if you must go against the ruthless end bosses. Dynamite game play and a rocking soundtrack are also a plus in this cart.







## TASK FORCE HARRIER

#### Treco

Treco brings you this 8-Meg shooter filled with intense aerial combat and a plethora of power-ups. Fast arcade action is waiting to wear out your trigger finger. A vertical shooter in the same league as Ralden.





Bomb the enemy base with tactical nukes!





## ALISIA DRAGOON Ketdari of Japan

This action cart resembles El Viento in most aspects and brings you some of the most intense action that we've seen on the Genesis. Great graphics and sound support and huge bosses waiting at the end of each round.





Intense powerups are to be found on each level.



You'll be greeted by huge bosses!

## RAMPART Tengen

This cart is based off the innovative coin-op and Tengen did an excellent job in the transia-tion. You must piece your castle together in a Tetris-style manner within a set amount of time. Set up cannons and when you've finished building, you and your opponent get to blow each other to kingdom come. Then rebuild your castless all over again. Sound like furn? It is.









Manufacturer: Sega Sega System: Genesis Cartridge Size: 4 Meg Number of Levels: 9 Theme: Action Difficulty: Moderate Number of Players: 1912 Available: December

## GOLDEN AXE IS BACK!!!!

The people at Sega have been hard at work working on a seguel to one of the original Genesis games - Golden Axe. They've brought back the same characters and revamped them with new magic and special techniques. and they stuck them in new levels and

put them up against a cast of even more deadly and powerful enemies. After years of peace you have to defend your land from the evil invaders. You must defeat them by using a sword or a axe, and you will be aided with the art of an ancient magic. You are the only one that has the power to face and defeat the ruthless invaders and rescue the land from the evil one.

## TWO PLAYER SIMULTANEOUS

Like the original Golden Axe this version has the feature of playing with your friend simultaneously.















You can practice beating certain enemies by having it out with them in a

## DRAGONS

Like the original version you can use the enemies pets to attack!



Use this auv to give your enemy a swift back kick in the facel



A nice whip of the tail should be enough to keep any nemy down!



The classic fire breath of dragon can be a very useful weapon.

## PALADIN











SWORDSMAN









Mega Play



Manufacturer: Tengen Sega System: Genesis Cartridge Size: 8 Meg Number of Levels: NA Theme: Action Difficulty: Moderate Number of Players: 2 Available: November

## THE ULTIMATE COMPETITIONI

Translated from the arcade original, Pit Fighter is one of the best conversions on any system to date. The scene is set in an arena surrounded by onloookers who are ready to pound on you even if your opponent doesn't! You can choose from three different fighters, each with different moves and attributes. First there is Buzz, the expro wrestler. Choose him for power. His specialties are the body slam. headbutt, and the piledriver. Next there is Ty, the kickboxing champion. Choose him for agility. His special moves are the spin kick, flying kick, and the roundhouse. Last but not least there is Kato, the 3rd degree blackbelt, Choose him for speed. His powerful moves include the combo punch, flip kick, and the backhand. All three are adequate fighters. Battle an array of different opponents; throw knives, barrels, stools, and even motorcycles at them! The sounds are digitized from the arcade machine. All in all, Pit Fighter will have you coming back for morel





WOW, WHAT A PILEDRIVER!! PRESS ALL THREE BUTTONS TO USE YOUR SPECIAL MOVES AND HELP YOU WIN THE FIGHT!!













THROW OUT











LOOK OUT FOR EDDIE!



STICK IT TO HIMI







CHECK OUT THAT KICK!! MAKE SURE YOU REALLY LET HIM HAVE IT. BECAUSE THE MORE BRUTAL YOU ARE. THE MORE CASH YOU GET!!





THE EXECUTIONER REALLY FELT THAT COMBO PUNCH! DEFEAT ALL OF YOUR FOES AND BECOME THE CHAMPION!

Manufacturer: Electronic Arts Sega System: Genesis Cartridge Size: 4 Meg Number of Levels:NA Theme: Driving

Difficulty: Average Number of Players: 10/2 Available: November

## RIDE WITH THE WIND!

Grab your helmet and get ready for some intense sportbike racing. The difference in this racing game is you can kick or punch your opponents off their motorcycle. They put you at the back of the pack and you must battle your way to first place. Your opponents will also try to kick or punch you off too. You may also push your opponents into obstacles like oncoming cars, cows, and road signs. If you happen to come in first place you will receive prize money which you can put to buying a new bike with better qualities. You have the chance to race on five different courses each with different obstacles. You gain levels by qualifying in fourth or better on every race. Don't get stopped by the police or it's a 200 to 400 dollar fine. Can you win the race when it's needed. Lets see if you can!

road ahead it's a hard road! Be careful





Good, fast bikes don't come cheap. You'll have to pay from \$4000 to \$250001













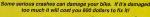
























Manufacturer: Sega Sega System: Genesis Cartridge Size: 8 Meg. Number of Levels:NA Theme: Adventure Difficulty: Moderate Number of Players: 1012 Available: November

## THE MOST INSANE PLANET IN THE GALAXY...

Get ready to funk out with two highly funky aliens from the planet. Funkotron. Joejam and his big rappin' bro Earl. One day they were cruisin' through outer space, in their highly funky, ultra cool, rightueos rapmaster rocket ship, jam their tunes through their megawatt speakers and Earl wanted a shot at the wheel. They rain into a small problem, they ran right into a small asteroid field, Earl of course crashed. They fell into the most insane planet in the galaxy. Earth. Now, all the have to do is find the ten pieces to their spaceship and the can jet out of there.











Manufacturer: Sega Sega System: Genesis Cartridge Size: 8 Meg Number of Levels: 15 Theme: Driving

Difficulty: Moderate Number of Players: 1 Available: November

## I CAN'T DRIVE 55!

Throw your car into low gear and hear the squeal of the tires. Watch the gauge and at 110 jam it into high gear and scream by your fellow racers. Blow by those girls in the pink BMW or the guys in the jeep at speeds of 280 mph. Feel the handling of your Testarossa as you take a turn at 250mph! But watch out. don't touch any other cars on the road or you'll spin out. Don't crash either or it will cost you some time on the clock! Your job is to beat that clock and blow through 15 different courses around the world ranging from the deserts of Morocco to the mountains and oceans of Europel It takes practice to drive at 280 so put on your seat belt (after all, it's the law) and blast into the record books!

Always keep an eye on the race clock! It's time to retire when it reaches zero. so use vour skills and finish

in first!







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GOAL



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There are five different endings in the

game. You can pick theone you want to see by selecting the proper turn at the end of each racing stage.

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Like the arcade verthe tunes by turning the radio dial!









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Start at stage one and race until the fork

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## MEGA-FILE

Manufacturer: Sega Seaa System: Master Cartridge Size: 4 Meg Number of Levels: 10+ Theme: Action Difficulty: Easy Number of Players: 1 Available: December

## VO SMOKEY! DID YOU CLOCK HOW MUCH THAT GUY WAS DOIN'?

That's right! The ultra speedy hedgehog with an attitude has just sped his way into the 8-bit market! Sonic's friends are starting to vanish from his homeland. A little browsing around uncovers that the wicked Dr. Robotnic is stealing all of the furry inhabitants and converting them into cybernetic slaves! Well no hedgehog hero is going to stand for that! Use your super speed to zip through a whole new world with some levels not found in the 16-bit version! Try to take out the plans of this mad scientist and free your friends. Through the levels you'll come across different items like super sneakers that will really give you get-up-and-go power, bubble shields that will help you survive longer, and much, much more!

This time. Sonic has a whole new world to explore! Now you have the Jungle, bridge, and

zone to deal with!

sky base

## GREEN HILL ZONE





Based on the Genesis version. this zone has you jumping and collecting tons of rings on your way to nabbing that evil Dr. Robotnic in his cruiser. Robotic flies, crabs, and bugs will try to stop you.

# BRIDGE ZONE



openings in the log bridges. You'll plummet to your doom if you are not careful. Keep an eve open for hidden rings and items!

# JUNGLE ZONE

Be wary of the water, the cur rent might send you down a waterfall of death!









Race through levels of vines and waterfalls as you try to get to the next zone!

## LABRYNTH ZONE



LOOK OUT BELOW!

In the Labrynth Zone, Sonic will have to watch out for water domestic enemies and robotic moles as well

as fighting through land and water sequences Make sure that you have

enough oxygen to last through the level, for if you don't, it's back to the hedgehog heaven in the





# SCRAP BRAIN ZONE



sky!











The Scrap Brain Zone contains a mechanical twisting and turning maze that is filled to the brim with conveyor belts. transmats and other highly unusual machines that will try to fry you into hedgehog burgers!

## SKY BASE ZONE













Board this humongous airborne vessel and find Dr. Robotnic. It's all up to you now. Good Luck!

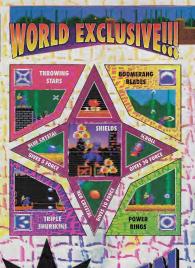


## MEGA-FILE

Manufacturer: Sega Sega System: Game Gear Cartridge Size: 2 Meg Number of Levels: 5 Theme: Action Difficulty: Easy Number of Players: 1 Available: Dec 1991

# LIVE BY THE SWORD AND DIE BY THE SWORD.

The master of niniitsu, Ryu Havabusa is back in an all new adventure for the Game Gear. Your new opponent is a terrorist known as Siragane who has taken control of the all of the worlds' nuclear weapons. There is only one weapon that he does not have, the legendary Dragon Sword. He has sent a horde of his minions to steal the sword from Ryu and bring the world under his total control. You must slash your way through 5 intense levels fighting off pesky ninja drones and deadly end of level bosses. Collect weapons along the way to improve your fighting skills and your chances of survival. Watch the cinema displays in between rounds to learn the secret of Siragane's location.









TOEJAM AND EARL, EL VIENTO, ROAD RASH, RAIDEN TRAD, SWAMP THING, DECAPATTACK. MERCS, MARUEL LAND, SAINT SWORD, SPEEDBALL 2. ROADBLASTERS

Ratings Key 10 - Perfect 9 - Outstanding 8 - Excellent

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## TOEJAM AND EARL



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What happens when a couple of hip rappin' aliens crash land on Earth? You can only find out with Toe Jam & Earl. Find the scattered pieces of your spaceship to leave the Earth and return home!

## Sega Genesis Adventure 8 Mea There's no doubt TJ&E has This game has some very rockin' tunes and the sound some of the best graphics G. and sounds you'll get on the

depth as I would have liked. This is one of the most innovative and most entertaining carts that I've seen in a long time. Great music and fantastic game play that leaves you laughing

long after the game is over.

Genesis, bu) there's a slight

problem - the game. It's

fun, but there's not as much

effects are like no other. It O. tends to get boring after G. awhile because all you do is walk around Interesting cart, but at what price?

> There are a lot of funny features and the music is really cool, but I don't see how all this makes a great game. The sound test is hilarious and the digitized effects are truly awesome.

## EL VIENTO



Here is an interesting side scroller set in the 1930's. Annett is a woman who has been sent to rid the world of a dark overlord. With technique that is similar to the Valis series. El Viento is all-action!

## Renovation Genesis



Combine fantastic game play with state of the art graphics and 8-Meg of power and you get this great looking great playing cart. Incredible stereo sound is another plus.

## Action

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Renovation does it again G. bringing you another great game with 8 Meg power. This cart has game play 0. G. that is rarely seen in Sega games, matching that of my favorites. Cool magic.

8 Mea

Killer explosions and awesome graphics set this action в cart above st. The game play A solutely the R best on the Genesis, filled т with tons at techniques and interesting power-ups.

## **POAD PASH**



This is not your typical motorcycle racing game. The action is very fast, and not only can you pass your opponents, but you can sock them right off their bikes. Watch for oncoming cars or you'll bite the dust!

## Electronic Arts Genesis

EA has done a superb job with the first person graph-D ics and game play in Road Δ re the best w I've seen in a Genesis E driver. The technique and play structure is also a hit!

EA has successfully made one of the best motorcycle PAR . games ever Great scrolling and unbeat music in ī K addition to hone crushing E accidents make this an enjoyable cart to play.

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This game is so totally cool! To tell you the truth the graphics aren't anything spectacular but they're 0. decent. What makes the game so cool is that it is so fun. I love the wipe outs!!!

5 Mea

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10/90

This cart's best feature is the variety of wicked spills that you take when you wipe out. The game play is a little sloppy but this game is really fun to play, and that's what counts.

## RAIDEN TRAD



Another good shooter for the Genesis. Raiden invites you to fire upon enemy tanks and planes as you zoom down from above! With cool power-ups and fast game play, Raiden pushes shooters to the limit!

## Micronet Genesis The wildest shooter in a

long timel Earlier efforts D showed the Genesis could Δ do shooters ut the great w graphics and play of Raiden E proves it can de better now!

This game is a virtual carbon capy of the arcade B/E classic. Stunning graphics п and explosive sound effects K blended with solid shooting action make this one of my favorites shooters.

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There hasn't been many good shooters that have come out on the Genesis in awhile cut this game is a welcome change of pace. A good translation from the

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coin-up and a challenge. One of the most intense shooters available for any system. Great graphics and sounds and a high level of challenge make this 8-Meg monster a cart worth

looking at.

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## SWAMP THING



Swamp thing is an interesting type of game. Take on the appearance of certain pieces of your swamp environment while knocking out your enemies! Be careful, however. because you may be followed!

## Nuvision Genesis

Swamp Thing could have been a really cool game with a stept interesting concepts thrown into the proven theme instead we get graphies and dame play that are both lacking. This cart doesn't boast

to expect from a 16-Bit title.

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Come on people, this a 16bit system, net a Atari 2600. Really, the graphics are poor and the game play is too slow. And, oh boy, does this put out a jammin'

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This is a totally unacceptable 16-Bit game. The graphies, sounds, and animation are below average. The game play is awful and leaves you frustrated and uninterested.



You wouldn't think that a guy with his head in his stomach would be a hero, but Chuck D. Head is here and he's the star of this delightfully spooky game. Run, jump and fight through the underworld!

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This shows a lot of promise. It has an original theme and solid game play that make it one of the more interesting action carts available. The end bosses are also animated extremely well.

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you attack people with your stomach then this is a great game. Graphics are cool and the game plays really well. Desan does lack good sound and long play time. Not a lot to impress me, but if you don't mind the weird graphics and annoying

sound this cart is a good

playing alternative for action

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end bosses a lot.

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Non-stop action awaits you in this faithful arcade translation of the popular shooter. Shoot down your adversaries, gain weapon strength, use your grenades, and defeat the enemy army.

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This is a good translation of the arcade smash. The M power-ups are there and п the end bosses are there. K About the only complaint I have is the difficulty level is set extremely easy.

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## **MARVEL LAND**



Jump on enemies, get powerups, and don't fall in the water! It's Marvel Land, and with its happy theme it's sure to appeal to a younger audience. Lots of action and enhancements fill the many levels of Marvel Land!

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	This game is a true sleeper that shouldn't be overlooked! Mayer and uses cute characters and pastel graphics, (at the play is long and uses As testinique and pienty of enhancements.
	This cute game is really not

for kids. In fact it has some of the best feehnique and game play to be found on the Genesis, Great action that delivers Super Mario type game play.

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Marvel Land is a great playing game featuring lots of special power-ups and other techniques. The different levels which resemble amusement park rides are really cool.

# SAINT SWORD

In Saint Sword you play a medieval type character. You can get different types of power-ups, some of which will change your form to a winged man, a half man-half horse and others.

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Another action game for the Genesis featuring large characters and even larger end bosses. The different forms that you change into are interesting but the game lacks any real excitement.

They had a good idea in this game, but they fell G. short in the game play. The 0. cart is a slightly slow, but G. the graphics are pretty cool. The transformations are

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The graphics in this game are average and the idea behind it is cool but the game play is very choppy. I found this puts a damper on the good points of the game and it left me disappointed.

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Set in the future, Speedball 2 centers around futuristic sports action! Hold on tight to the ball because your opponents are out to knock it out of your hands-literally! The sport of the future is here today!

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play is never really exciting. This is a great playing sports game resembling a M cross between Cyberball п and soccer. Detailed K graphics and fast paced game play make this a futuristic contest for all.

Meg 10/90 I like this game , but I think they could have done a better job. Like, giving you more moves. Right now all you can do is throw the ball and slide tackle. The in-

stant replay gets annoying! I don't like this game. The

graphics are good but they never change and get boring after awhile, the game play is repetitive and a little sluggish at times. Where's the music?



Blast away your enemies going over 200 mph in this road fight to the finish. Translated from the arcade, this driving shooter will keep you on the edge of your seat. Fasten your seatbelts!

The look and feel of this game is straight from the arcades. The first-person graphics do display some rough edges, but the action and play are captured well.

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While the graphic and sound translation was well done, the most important aspect of the game, being game play, was somehow lost. A good effort that could have been excellent.

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the argade, but a good
attempt Yee den't have
enough control of your car
 Also, what happened to the
backrounds? They're really

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The original freeway stress reliever is looking and sounding good on the Genesis, but the game play is not responsive enough and the lack of control hinders it's potential.

weak but overall it's still fun

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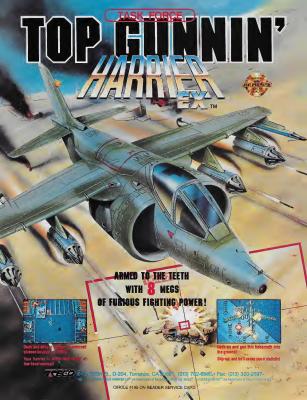


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